अनुरोध किया गया था जिसमें ताप विद्युत केन्द्रों के विद्युत उत्पादन में वृद्धि करना, भार संबंधी प्रबन्ध को कार्यान्वित करना तथा ऊर्जा संरक्षण संबंधी उपाय करना शामिल हैं । राजस्थान की उत्तरी ग्रिड से जहां तक संभव हो सहायता करने के लिए भरसक प्रयास किए जा रहे हैं । राजस्थान को मध्य प्रदेश से भी जहां तक संभव है, सहायता की जा रही है ।

(ख) अक्तूबर, 1987 के महीने के दौरान 653 मिलियन यूनिट उपलब्ध थी, इसकी तुलना में आवश्यकता 736 मिलियन यूनिट थी । यह लगभग 11.3% की कमी का सूचक है ।

(ग) समय-2 पर राज्य में विद्युत की मांग और उपलब्धता की स्थिति को मद्दे नजर रखते हुए राज्य प्राधिकारियों द्वारा विभिन्न श्रेणी के उपभोक्ताओं के लिए विद्युत सप्लाई का निर्णय लिया जाता है । राजस्थान सहित राज्यों से अनुरोध किया गया है कि कृषि क्षेत्र को विद्युत सप्लाई करने के मामले में उच्च प्राथमिकता प्रदान करें । राजस्थान में अक्तूबर, 1987 के दौरान कृषि उपभोक्ताओं को प्रतिदिन लगभग 8 घंटे विद्युत सप्लाई की गई थी ।

Formulation based on Ascorbic Acid

906. SHRI RAFIQUE ALAM: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that formulations based on single ingredient Ascorbic Acid which are being marketed under different brand names were recommended by the Kelkar Committee for price decontrol;

(b) if so, whether is it also a fact that the Kelkar Committee followed certain criteria for exclusion of drugs and formulations from price control; and

(c) if so, what are the details thereof and which single ingredient brand products of Ascorbic Acid were recommended for exclusion from price control?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICALS AND PETRO-CHEMICALS IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI R. K. MICHANDRA SINGH): (a) to (c) Various recommendations made by the Kelkar Committee alongwith the criteria followed by them for identification of Category-II drugs are contained in the report of the Committee, copies of which are available in the Parliament Library. The Committee had recommended price decontrol for all single ingredient vitamin formulations.

Production of Thiamine Hcl and Vitamin E

907. SHRI RAFIQUE ALAM: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to
slate:

(a) whether it is a fact that producers of Thiamine Hcl and Vitamin E are monopoly producers of these drugs;

(b) whether it is also a fact that his Ministry has excluded these drugs from price control despite recommendation for price control on them by the Expert Committee appointed for identification of drugs for price control;

(c) what are the names of producers of each drug along with their production during the last three years, year-wise;

(d) what was the turn-over of each drug during 1986; and

(e) what was the criterion/justification for the exclusion of these drugs from price control and whether that principle has
been applied in all cases ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICALS AND PETRO-CHEMICALS IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI R. K. JAICHANDRA SINGH): (a) and (c) Thaimine Hcl which is exclusively reserved for I public sector, is being produced by M/s. j IDPL. Vitamin E is being produced by j three companies, among whom M/s. E. Merck accounts for over 75% production.

Details of production to the extent avail able are given below: -

Name ol Company	Production		
	1984-8:	198S86	1986-8-'
Vitamin-E	56-81	*63. 49*	59-13
E. Merck	49 -22	3-56	1-81
Roche Products Thiamine Hcl (Vitamin Bt) 1. D. P.. I		58-41	49 -85

(b) and (e) The Kelkar Committee has recommended that all Vitamins when used in combination with other drugs in formulations will be under price control. All Vitamin bulk drugs have been exempted from price control.

(d) Sales turn-over of drugs is not monitored.

Categorisation of drugs

908. SHRI CHANDRIKA PRASAD TRIPATHI: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 1494 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 4th May, 1987 and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Expert Commilee appointed to identify drugs for price control under category II finalised the list before the list of category I was finalised;

(b) if so, when was the list of each category finalised;

(c) whether it is also a fact that the Committee identified all the drugs for price control;

(d) if so, whether it is also a fact that the Committee was aware that category I drugs are to be based on the diseases covered under the National Health Programme; and

(e) what are the names of the drugs identified under category I of Price Control Order by Committee '. '

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICALS AND PETRO-CHEMICALS IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI R. K. JAICHANDRA SINGH): (a) to («) The Experts Committee identified and recommended drugs to be included in Category 11 whereas the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare recommended drugs required for tlie National Health Programme for inclusion in Category I. The recommendations of the Expert Commtttee and the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare are incorporated in the DPCO. 1987. The Order was notified on 26th August. 1987 and copies thereof were laid on the Table of the House on 27th August, 1987.

Service Station and Petrol Pump being run by IB

909. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that IBP is runnin;; a commercially viable and successful Service Station and Petrol Pump in South Delhi and if so, what are its working results; and

(b) whether it is also a fact that this IBP Service Station has become very popular and profitable vis-a-vis other privately owned petrol pumps and service stations 7

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRl BRAHM DUTT): (a) IBP is running a viable retail outlet in South Delhi. The opera-lion of this outlet yielded a profit of about Rs. 2 lakhs in 1986-87;

(b) This retail outlet is catering effectively to the needs of consumers in the ' area, with a higher turnover compared to most other retail outlets in this part of the city.